

# THE OYEN NEWS

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## CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday, January 28

### OYEN UNITED CHURCH

OYEN ..... 7.30 p.m.

Rev. E. F. KEMP

All are cordially invited.

### ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Evensong ..... 3.00 p.m.

Rev. C. M. K. PARSONS

### SACRED HEART CHURCH

Mass ..... 11.00 a.m.

Rev. Fr. J. C. LYNETT

### CHAS. L. DUNFORD

A Commissioner for Oaths

## Magazines

### Maclean's Magazine

\$2.00 for One year.

\$3.00 for Two years.

### The Chatelaine

\$1.00 for One year.

\$2.00 for Three yrs.

### Good Housekeeping

\$3.50 for One year.

### Saturday Evening Post

\$4.50 for One year.

### Ladies Home Journal

\$1.50 for One year.

\$2.75 for Two years.

### Chas. L. Dunford

AGENT

At the News Office

## Games in Mixed Bonspiel Reach Semi-finals in Challenge Event

### Play in second event commences Thursday

Twenty rinks compete in the play. Spiel started under mild weather conditions, but steady drop in temperature from 28 above to 23 below accompanied by a blizzard yesterday made travel to and from the rink a most unpleasant undertaking.

## Department Buys Garnet Wheat

The only carload of certified Garnett wheat seed obtainable in Canada, and possibly in the world, is now owned by the Alberta Department of Agriculture.

The seed, which was obtained from the grower, Tom Jones of Trochu, will be distributed in accordance with an approved plan. The seed was in great demand, being bid on by the Soviet Government of Russia.

## Sugar Beet Crop

Final figures on the sugar beet crop of southern Alberta show the total yield for 1933 to have been 137,458 tons, from 14,040 acres, or a little less than ten tons per acre. The total paid to farmers for the beets was about \$850,000. The amount of sugar manufactured at the Raymond factory in the season just closed was about 45,000,000 pounds, in addition to which there were 32,000 tons of beet pulp.

## Excel Items

Excel Ladies Aid held their annual meeting at the home of Mrs. E. Gullekson. The new officers are: Mrs. E. H. Church, president; Mrs. C. Gullekson, vice-president; Mrs. A. Wetherall, secretary; Mrs. S. B. Gullekson, treasurer.

Play in the mixed bonspiel was started Monday with 20 rinks competing. Weather conditions were somewhat on the mild order during the day but tightened up during the evening, the thermometer registering 18 degrees frost. Over night, however, the temperature moderated and 28 above was recorded Tuesday morning. Then Jim Marshall, Old Man Boreas or somebody threw a monkey wrench into the works. The temperature steadily dropped through the day and a stiff nor' wester increasing in violence as the hours passed, developed into a wild blizzard which continued into the night, making travel to and from the rink both unpleasant and hazardous. Today the thermometer registered 23 below but started to climb and stood at zero at noon. The day is bright and sunny.

Play was started with games in a qualifying round, the winners of these games being the first named of each pair: Gibson—L. Gillespie; Scott—Marshall; Morrison—W. V. Miller; W. McDonald—

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## Buy in Your Home Town

Subscribers are asked to look at the address label on their paper.

## FISH

Cold Lake Trout... 7c  
Whitefish ..... 4½c  
Pickerel ..... 3½c  
F.O.B. Beaver Crossing, Alta.  
This is all boxed.

## S. L. KLEIN

Cold Lake, Alta.

er; Mrs. F. Bishop, flower committee; Mrs. E. Gullekson and Mrs. C. Gullekson, sewing committee. The books showed a surplus and a donation was given to the church.

## Advertising your Business is good Business

An advertisement appearing each week in this paper will pay you dividends.

## About Town and Country

Mr. T. M. Nunn who spent a four week's holiday in Oyen with his family, left last week to return to his work on the Hudson Bay railroad.

While W. S. Marshall was curling in the bonspiel he had the misfortune to sprain one of his ankles. He fell on the ice while sweeping.

The supper and annual congregational meeting held last Friday evening in the basement of Oyen United church was very well attended. Satisfactory reports were turned in by the various organizations, but the general financial condition of the church reflected very noticeably the present difficult times. The business of the evening was interspersed by a pleasing program which included vocal solos by Mrs. Robert Nisbet, humorous selections by Mr. J. W. Robinson and Rev. E. F. Kemp, and a male quartette (Messrs Austen, Dunford, Neid and Nisbet). Accompaniments to the vocal numbers were played by Mrs. F. E. Neid.

The 1933 officers of the Sunday school were re-elected for the present year and retiring members of the board of stewards were re-elected for another term.

Look at your address label.

## January Stock Taking

will reveal shortages in your business stationery, and the present month is a good time to have all lines completed.

Place your orders with

## The Oyen News

Mr. M. G. Whitlock left last Sunday for Saskatoon where he is spending the week. Mr. R. Martin is in charge of the local depot during his absence.

The Sibbald hockey team were Oyen visitors last Friday afternoon when they defeated the local boys 6-0.

Chinook were Sunday visitors here defeating the local boys in a closely contested game, 3-2.

Alex. Wright played on the Sibbald team in two engagements this week. The first game was played at Marengo on Monday evening against Hoosier, Sibbald winning by a score of 7-1. The second game was played at Kindersley on Tuesday night, which Sibbald also won, the score being 1-0! Alex returned to Oyen Wednesday morning.

### Mixed Bonspiel

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Langmuir; Wylie—R. Sharp; Willeson—C. Wright; Green—S. A. Miller; A. Wright—A. Sharp; T. Lees—Lynett; Thayer—Stewart; R. E. Gillespie—Dial.

The winning rinks of this qualifying round were then drawn in one half, and the losing rinks in the other half of the grand challenge. Play in this event was started in the 9 a.m. draw Tuesday.

In the 32's the following games were played: Willeson—Wylie; A. Wright—Thayer; Scott—McDonald; L. Gillespie—W. V. Miller; Fr. Lynett—S. A. Miller; Langmuir—C. Wright.

In the 16's: Willeson—A. Wright; Morrison—Gibson; Green—T. Lees; R. E. Gillespie—Scott; L. Gillespie—Dial; Stewart—A. Sharp; R. Sharp—Marshall; Langmuir—Lynett.

In the 8's: Willeson—Morrison; Green—R. E. Gillespie; L. Gillespie—Stewart; Roy Sharp—Langmuir.

Semi-finals: L. Gillespie—R. Sharp; Willeson—Green.

Play in the second event starts Thursday.

## Dr. D. L. Dick

Physician and Surgeon

Office on First Avenue East

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OYEN - ALTA.

## THE MARKET

Wheat.....	45½
Oats.....	20½
Barley.....	22½
Rye.....	28½
Flax.....	124½

## Recovery Under Way E. W. Beatty Believes

Reviewing Canadian business conditions of the past year and at the same time looking forward to the prospects for 1934, E. W. Beatty, Chairman and President of the Canadian Pacific Railway, thinks the country is on the way back to prosperity, although the way may be long, and at times difficult. In a statement published in the "Montreal Star" he says:—



E. W. Beatty, K.C.

"Of 1933 I think it is perhaps with relief that most of us will say—that's that, and now for 1934. We meet this New Year with something of a better understanding of what this so-called depression is all about and what we ought to do about it. We see along the road leading to its end more clearly and further than we did a year ago. That fact has inspired confidence and courage and has started us moving towards the better times that broadened prosperity will bring to all. The road is not an easy one; there are long hills and difficult spots, but it offers no danger or problem too great to be surmounted by the courage and energy of the Canadian people. We have before us problems that will tax the ingenuity and strength of our leaders in statescraft, finance and industry and make great demands upon the patience and understanding of our people, but if these problems are met with courage and dealt with in accordance with the laws of sound economics which are as relentlessly unchangeable as the laws of nature, this country will emerge from the purging in far better shape to progress than it has ever been before, and individual prosperity for all classes of our people will be more firmly established. I believe that the elusive corner we were hoping to turn through many weary months, slipped past us all unnoticed some time ago, and that we have definitely passed through the worst and most trying phase of the period.

### Railroad Situation.

"The past year has been particularly difficult for our railroads and there seems little reason to hope that conditions are going to be much easier for those who operate them in the immediate or near future. Alteration in Canada's status from the position we used to claim as the world's chief producer of breadstuffs has already proved far-reaching in its adverse effect upon our transportation industry. Under most favorable circumstances governing development of other lines of agricultural production for export, it may reasonably take some years to bring the volume of Canada's rail freight back to the high figures of a few years ago.

It is therefore imperative upon the managements of those railways depending upon earnings to meet operating costs, interest and other charges that all possible measures of economy in operation shall continue in force. But when this is accomplished the problem for Canada is far from solved.

### Must Reduce Taxes.

"All that is true of the railways is true in some respect of most other public facilities, and such progress as has been made over the past year along the line of effecting economies in administration of public affairs has been helpful, but has served mostly to point the way to larger and more fundamental re-arrangements looking towards an easing of the great load of national debt, and a reduction of taxation the extent of which has come to assume ominous proportions. There is no need for further stressing the inescapable necessity for such action. I do not believe that any thinking Canadian viewing national affairs without prejudice, will deny that the drain upon public and individual wealth consequent upon the general railway situation continues to over-shadow all other problems, and it is by far the most important difficulty that has to be surmounted before the way to prosperity lies open before us.

### The Remedy.

In order to clarify the situation early in the year, I outlined in two public addresses what I believed to be the only possible solution for that problem. In effect, I proposed that the people of Canada as owners of the Canadian National Railway should enter into a partnership arrangement with the shareholders of the Canadian Pacific, and that the resulting organization should be operated by the privately owned concern, thus relieving railroad management in this country from the too-well proven evils of political influences and at the same time removing from the path of our greatly harassed political leaders the embarrassments that must ever accompany responsibility for railway operation. My proposals at that time met with a volume of approval and support such as, frankly, I had not anticipated, and I found even in places where it was least to be expected that they received a serious consideration that showed how widespread was the conviction that this problem had to be settled in some satisfactory and permanent manner. Nothing that has since happened has tended to change my conviction that in these proposals lies the only sound ultimate solution of the difficulty. I can think of nothing short of this that may be attempted that will offer adequate relief from an economic drain that has in it all the possibilities of national disaster. I have reason to believe, also, that I share this conviction with a large and increasing number of citizens who are giving thought to the state of real economic peril in which we stand."